

AMENDMENTS

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A liner for crock pots having an interior cooking chamber with an inner chamber defined by at least one ceramic wall surface, the liner comprising an energy conductive material having an exterior surface and an interior surface, the liner being formed to be insertable into, and removable from, the crock pot's inner chamber so that the liner's exterior surface substantially registers with and is adjacent to the cookware's inner chamber while not interfering with the operation of the crock pot, the liner further having a top rim and an integrally formed flange coupled to the top rim, the flange adapted to allow steam to escape from the crock pot when in operation.

Claim 2 (Cancelled): The liner of claim 1, the liner further having a top rim and an integrally formed flange coupled to the top rim, the flange adapted to allow steam to escape from the crock pot when in operation.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): The liner of claim [2] 1, the liner's top rim formed to lie in a plane substantially symmetrical to a top rim of the crock pot, the liner top rim having a thickness which cooperates with and prevents interference with the operation of the crock pot.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): The liner of claim [2] 1, the flange having at least one gap.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): The liner of claim [2] 1, the conductive liner being formed from [aluminum] aluminum foil.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): A liner for slow cooking cookware having an interior cooking chamber with at least one wall surface, the liner comprising an energy conductive unitary main body having an interior surface and an exterior surface, the liner being formed so that the liner's exterior surface substantially registers with and is adjacent to the cookware's interior

chamber walls, the conductive sheet formed to prevent interfering with the operation of the cookware as the cookware operates[.], the liner further having a top adapted to allow steam to escape from the interior surface when the slow cookware is in operation.

Claim 7 (Original): The liner of claim 6, the liner having a depth of substantially the same or approximately less than an interior depth of the slow cooking cookware's interior cooking chamber.

Claim 8 (Original): The liner of claim 6, the liner having a substantially flat or slightly curved bottom surface which substantially registers with a bottom surface of the slow cooking cookware's interior cooking chamber.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): The liner of claim 6, the liner further having at least one side wall defining the main body, the side wall formed to lie in a plane substantially [conincident] coincident with a plane of the slow cookware's interior cooking chamber.

Claim 10 (Cancelled): The liner of claim 7, the liner further having a top rim and an integrally formed flange coupled to the top rim, the flange adapted to allow steam to escape from the interior surface when the slow cookware is in operation.

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): The liner of claim [10] 7, the liner's top rim formed to lie in a plane substantially symmetrical to a top rim of the slow cookware, the top rim having a thickness which cooperates with and prevents interference with the operation of the slow cookware.

Claim 12 (Currently Amended): The liner of claim [10] 7, the flange having at least one gap.

Claim 13 (Currently Amended): The liner of claim [10] 7, the flange being formed into a plurality of ribs.

Claim 14 (Currently Amended): The liner of claim [10] 7, the flange being formed into a roll.

Claim 15 (Currently Amended): The liner of claim 6, the conductive liner being formed from [aluminim] aluminum foil.

Claim 16 (Currently Amended): The liner of claim 6, the conductive liner being formed from at least one of aluminum foil, copper foil, bronze foil, tin foil, titanium foil and brass foil.

Claim 17 (Original): The liner of claim 6, at least some portions of the conductive sheet imprinted with a predefined message.

Claim 18 (Original): The liner of claim 6, the slow cooking cookware being an oval-shaped crock pot, the liner being adapted for placement within the oval-shaped crock pot so that its exterior walls register with the interior chamber of the crock pot.

Claim 19 (Original): The liner of claim 6, the slow cooking cookware being an circular-shaped crock pot, the liner being adapted for placement within the circular-shaped crock pot so that its exterior walls register with the interior chamber of the crock pot.

Claim 20 (Currently Amended): A crock pot liner, the liner comprising an energy conductive material having an exterior surface and an interior surface, the liner being formed to be insertable into, and removable from, an inner cooking chamber of the crock pot so that the liner's exterior surface substantially registers with and is adjacent to the crock pot's inner cooking chamber while not interfering with the operation of the crock pot, the liner having a depth of substantially the same or approximately less than an interior depth of the crock pot's interior cooking chamber, and further having a substantially flat or slightly curved bottom surface which substantially registers with a bottom surface of the crock pot's interior cooking chamber[.], the liner further comprising an integrally formed, rollable top rim adapted to allow steam to escape from the interior surface when the slow cookware is in operation.

Claim 21 (New): A crock pot liner, the liner comprising an unitary exterior surface and an interior surface formed of an energy conductive material, the liner being insertable into, and removable from, an inner cooking chamber of the crock pot so that the liner's exterior surface substantially registers with and is adjacent to an interior surface of the crock pot, the liner further comprising a rollable top rim, the liner interior surface further adapted to receive and retain foodstuff.

Claim 22 (New): The liner of claim 21, the top rim being adapted to allow steam to escape from the crock pot when in operation

Claim 23 (New): The liner of claim 21, the liner further comprising a substantially flat or slightly curved bottom surface which substantially registers with a bottom surface of the slow cooking cookware's interior cooking chamber

Claim 24 (New): The liner of claim 22, the liner further having an interior surface depth of substantially the same or approximately less than an interior depth of the slow cooking cookware's interior cooking chamber

Claim 25 (New): A liner for a slow cook device having an interior cooking chamber with an inner chamber defined by at least one wall surface, the liner comprising a non-aluminum thermally conductive unitary body having an exterior surface and an interior surface, the interior surface defining a single cooking compartment adapted to receive foodstuff, the liner being insertable into, and removable from, the slow cook device's inner chamber so that the liner's exterior surface is adjacent to the device's inner chamber, the liner further having a top portion adapted to sit upon an upper portion of the device to allow steam to escape from the device when in operation.

Claim 26 (New): The liner of claim 25, the liner's top portion having a thickness which cooperates with and prevents interference with the operation of the crock pot.

Claim 27 (New): The liner of claim 25, the liner having an interior surface coated with a non-stick material.

Claim 28 (New): The liner of claim 25 the liner having a bottom surface which substantially registers with, and is coincident to, a bottom surface of the slow cooking cookware's interior cooking chamber.

Claim 29 (New): The liner of claim 25, the liner's top portion being rollable.

Claim 30 (New): A disposable slow cook unit liner, the slow cook unit having an interior

cooking chamber with an inner chamber defined by at least one continuous wall surface, the liner comprising a non-aluminum body having an exterior surface and an interior surface, the interior surface defining a single cooking compartment, the liner being insertable into, and removable from, the slow cook device's inner chamber so that the liner's exterior surface substantially registers with and is adjacent to the unit's interior cooking chamber, the liner further having a top portion adapted to sit upon an upper portion of the device and to allow steam to escape from the device when in operation.

Claim 31 (New): The liner of claim 30, the liner's top portion having a thickness which cooperates with and prevents interference with the operation of the crock pot.

Claim 32 (New): The liner of claim 30, the liner having a depth of substantially the same or approximately less than an interior depth of the slow cooking cookware's interior cooking chamber.

Claim 33 (New): The liner of claim 30, the liner having a bottom surface which substantially registers with, and is coincident to, a bottom surface of the slow cooking cookware's interior cooking chamber.

Claim 34 (New): The liner of claim 30, the liner's top portion being rollable.

Claim 35 (New): The liner of claim 30, the liner's interior surface being coated with a non-stick material.